



Faribault County Sheriff's Office

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Public Hearing Body Worn Cameras and Body Worn Camera Policy

The Faribault County Sheriff's Office is in the process of implementing Body Worn Cameras for Patrol Deputies, Court Security, School Resource Officer, and Deputies in investigations.

The Sheriff's Office has purchased Axon Body Cameras. The data recorded from these cameras is stored on evidence.com, which is provided by the vendor. The data is classified, audited, stored, and filed as evidence. Each recording is uploaded wirelessly and stored on a secure system that can be utilized by other agencies. These agencies would include Law Enforcement Agencies and the Prosecutor's Offices for prosecuting cases.

One requirement of Body Worn Cameras is that agencies need to provide an opportunity for public comment, accepted by mail and email. It also requires that the County Commissioners allow for public comment at one of their regular meetings.

The Faribault County Sheriff's Office wants support from the community and would like an opportunity to discuss any concerns the public may have. The body worn cameras will benefit the department while performing law enforcement duties. The benefits as well as potential challenges that might arise need to be discussed, and input from the community is part of this process.

The Faribault County Sheriff's Office has a Body Worn Camera Policy based on state statute requirements. A copy of this policy can be made available on the Faribault County Website at <https://www.co.faribault.mn.us/sheriffs-office>, by calling the Sheriff's Office at 507-526-5148, or by stopping by in person at 320 Dr H Russ St Blue Earth, MN 56013.

Public Hearings and Readings of Policy:

Dates: Tuesday November 7th, 9:45 am 2023 Public Comment & first reading:
Tuesday November 21st, 9:45 am 2023 Second reading:

Location: Board of Commissioner's Room located on the main floor of the Faribault County Court House